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NO. 37 (HONG KONG 10080)

1. CHINESE ATTENDANCE AT THE BULGARIAN EMBASSY'S RECEPTION IN PEKING MARKING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA (SEPTEMBER 9) WAS RAISED TO THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL THIS YEAR. IN A FURTHER SHOW OF GREATER PEKING ATTENTION TO SOFIA, AN NCNA CORRESPONDENT'S DESPATCH FROM SOFIA PRAISED THE BULGARIAN PEOPLE'S "LONG GLORIOUS HISTORY OF FIGHTING AGAINST FOREIGN AGGRESSORS," INCLUDING THE TSARS. THE ARTICLE STATED THAT THIS HISTORY OF STRUGGLE IS A "STERN WARNING TO THE IMPERIALISTS AND HEGEMONISTS WHO ARE STILL TRYING TO ENSLAVE THE BULGARIAN PEOPLE" (NCNA SEPTEMBER 8).

2. ABOVE IS TEXT OF CONGEN WEEKA ITEM. CHINESE MENTION OF BULGARIA IS RARE, AND WE HAVE SEEN NO EVIDENCE OF A WARMING IN SINO-BULGARIAN RELATIONS. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY OPINIONS OR INSIGHTS ADDRESSEES MAY HAVE RE THIS SLIGHT "TILT".

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